# COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board

# **MINUTES**

# SUNSHINE MEETING

# September 1, 2021 1:00 P.M. AG Building – Room 309

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## 1. CALL OF MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

**Chairman Rob Barley** called the regular Sunshine Meeting of the Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board to order at 1:00 P.M. in Room 309 of the Agriculture Building in Harrisburg, PA.

Chairman Barley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence and reflection.

Secretary Hardbarger called the roll. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

#### **Board Members:**

**Present:** Chairman Robert Barley, Consumer Member Kristi Kassimer, Member James Van Blarcom

Absent: None

### 2. <u>ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES</u>:

A. Acceptance of Minutes of the August 11, 2021, Sunshine Meeting.

PRESENTED by: Chairman Barley

MOTION by: Consumer Member Kassimer

Moved to accept the minutes for the August 11, 2021, Sunshine Meeting. *Note*: Minutes were prepared and distributed to the Board members for their review prior to the September 1, 2021, Sunshine Meeting). Seconded by Member Van Blarcom. Motion carried without dissent.

Assenting: Chairman Barley, Consumer Member Kassimer, Member Van Blarcom Dissenting: None

#### 3. <u>PUBLIC INPUT (PERTAINING TO GENERAL ISSUES:</u>

**DISCUSSION:** Ron Mong, CPA with Herbein + Company, Inc. announced his retirement on September 30, 2021, after 50 years of being in the Dairy industry. He stated how milk not only dominated his professional life, but it has also played a much bigger role in Ron's personal growth and family life. Mong Dairy was founded by his great-great grandfather and located in Oil City, PA. From there, Ron took his love for dairy and accounting and moved onto Herbein + Company.

He thanked the Board for all their continued work to help producers, processors, retailors, and schools. He expressed gratitude to the Board for always working together, and for aiming to help keep PA milk a strong industry.

### 4.. OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

## 5. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

N/A

## 6. **<u>REPORT OF CHIEF COUNSEL:</u>**

**DISCUSSION:** Attorney Eberly stated there was nothing to report. No official actions or deliberations taken.

## 7. <u>LEGAL CASE DISPOSITIONS</u>

1. DFA Dairy Brands Fluid, LLC - Lansdale

Dealer

**PRESENTED by**: Attorney Petrascu

**DISCUSSION:** Attorney Petrascu presented **1. Legal Docket No. CA-21-003** for DFA Dairy Brands Fluid, LLC a dealer who failed to file its Milk Dealer's Financial Statement (PMMB-60) for the year ending December 31, 2020. A consent order was acknowledged and consenting to the settlement of the Citation with the Board for \$100.00

MOTION by: Member Van Blarcom

Moved to accept the consent order as presented. (1. Legal Docket CA-21-003 DFA Dairy Brands Fluid, LLC) Seconded by Consumer Member Kassimer. Motion carried without dissent.

Assenting: Chairman Barley, Consumer Member Kassimer, Member Van Blarcom Dissenting: None

#### 8. <u>LICENSE APPLICATIONS:</u>

1. Baldor Pennsylvania QOZB, LLC

Subdealer

PRESENTED by: Attorney Petrascu

**DISCUSSION:** Attorney Petrascu presented that Baldor Pennsylvania QOZB, LLC. has applied for a subdealer license for 2021-2022. Applicant will purchase packaged milk/cream for resale to restaurants and stores, in Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. A COD has been provided in lieu of a bond. Appropriate staff has reviewed the application to ensure that adequate forms and fees have been received and are in order, and that the applicant has met the requirements of the Milk Marketing Law. A Provisional license was granted on August 25, 2021. Board Staff recommends approval, and with Board approval of this application, a subdealer license will be issued.

MOTION by: Consumer Member Kassimer

Moved to approve a subdealer license to Baldor Pennsylvania QOZB, LLC as presented. **Seconded by Member Van Blarcom. Motion carried without dissent.** 

Assenting: Chairman Barley, Member Van Blarcom Dissenting: None

2. Brown Cow LLC DBA Harmony Acres Dairy Dealer

**PRESENTED by:** Attorney Petrascu

**DISCUSSION:** Attorney Petrascu presented that Brown Cow LLC. DBA Harmony Acres Dairy has submitted an application for a dealer license for 2021-2022. Applicant will process and sell milk/cream produced on own farm. Applicant will process and package milk products for resale to restaurants, and stores, in Area 5. Appropriate staff has reviewed the application to ensure that adequate forms and fees have been received and are in order, and that the applicant has met the requirements of the Milk Marketing Law. Board Staff recommends approval, and with Board approval of this application, a dealer's license will be issued.

MOTION by: Member Van Blarcom

**DISCUSSION:** Consumer Member Kassimer acknowledged that she personally knows the owner of Brown Cow, as they are from her hometown.

Moved to approve a dealer license to Brown Cow LLC DBA Harmony Acres Dairy as presented. **Seconded by Consumer Member Kassimer. Motion carried without dissent.** 

Assenting: Chairman Barley, Member Van Blarcom Dissenting: None

#### 9. <u>REMINDERS</u>:

PRESENTED by: Chairman Barley			
<u>MEETING (s)</u>	<b>DATE</b>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ROOM</u>
Regular Sunshine meeting	Wed. Oct 6, 2021	1:00 P.M.	Room 309 Ag Bldg

**DISCUSSION:** Chairman Barley mentioned to all that there will be a virtual Special Sunshine Meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 10:00 AM, to consider the Over-Order Premium.

#### *10.* ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Barley hearing no further matters to come before the Board, adjourned the meeting 1:09 P.M.